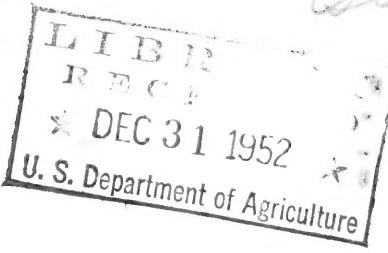


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1953

GLADIOLUS

Retail and Wholesale
List



WONDER GARDENS

JAMES HOWARD

R. F. D. 2, WESTERLY, R. I.



GREETINGS

Again we wish to say "thank you" to our many customers, both old and new, for your orders in 1952. It is always a pleasure to receive and fill your orders. Our bulb business has grown so fast that we again had to refuse orders in spite of our greatly increased stocks.

We are pleased to bring you our 1953 Catalog and hope that within its pages you may find the varieties you need. In spite of rising costs we have tried to "hold the line" and offer you the same top values as in 1952. We have added many new varieties and dropped some others. We try to bring you only the best ones as we see them in our field.

As usual our bulbs have been grown with the very best care in light sandy soil with plenty of water (irrigation). Allowed to mature fully before harvesting. After digging they are washed immediately, dried quickly and dusted with D.D.T. before storage. We feel sure you will be well pleased with both the appearance and performance of the bulbs you will receive from us this year. Our aim is to give you the best at the lowest prices possible.

— GUARANTEE —

We guarantee all bulbs to be full size and free from disease and insects. We will replace stock or refund purchase price of any bulbs that do not meet the above guarantee. We do not guarantee the bulbs you harvest, as your ground may be infested with disease or insects.

— TERMS —

Due to the cost of handling and packing we cannot fill orders of less than \$2.50 from the Retail List or for less than \$4.00 from the Wholesale List. All orders must be accompanied by cash in full or 25% deposit will hold orders of \$5.00 or more for April delivery. Balance must be forwarded before delivery. All cash retail orders will be sent prepaid by Parcel Post or Express. All wholesale orders F. O. B., Westerly, R. I. Please send money by Check or Money Order, not by cash or stamps. Five or more bulbs may be purchased at the ten rate. If you live in Rhode Island please add 2% Sales Tax to total amount of order.

— EXTRAS —

On all Cash orders of from \$3 to \$15 you may select 10% in extra bulbs. On all orders of \$15 or more 15% in extras may be selected. This does not apply to the Wholesale List. We can fill orders until May 15th.

— PLANTING DIRECTIONS —

We will include full planting and growing directions in all retail orders.

— BULB SIZES —

We list our bulbs Large, Medium and Small.
Large size includes #1 and #2 size and measures 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and larger in diameter.
Medium size includes #3 and #4 size and measures 3/4" to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter.
Small size includes #5 and #6 size and measures 3/8" to 3/4" in diameter.

— CLASSIFICATION —

In listing our Retail Varieties the number following the name of variety refers to the size and color as listed in the table below. As an example: ABU HASSAN (378). The 378 means that it is Medium size (3) and is dark blue in color (78).

SIZE CLASSES:

Medium (300 series), florets $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

Large (400 series), florets $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

Giant (500 series), florets $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches and larger.

COLOR CLASSES:

00—White	52—Deep Red
06—Cream	54—Black Red
10—Light Yellow	60—Light Rose
12—Deep Yellow	62—Deep Rose
16—Buff	66—Lavender
20—Light Orange	70—Purple
22—Deep Orange	76—Light Blue-Violet
24—Red-Orange	78—Dark Blue-Violet
30—Light Salmon	80—Smoky shades (often subdivided as 82 orange-smoky, 83 salmon- smoky, 84 pink-smoky, 85 red- smoky, and 86 lavender-smoky)
32—Deep Salmon	
36—Scarlet	
40—Light Pink	
42—Deep Pink	
50—Light Red	90—Any Other Color.

1953 INTRODUCTION

RAYNOLA—432 (Howard '53) 80 DAYS

Parents — BOBBY DAZZLER x JUNE BRIDE

Have watched this glad since the summer of 1946 and among all the varieties I have grown have never seen one anywhere near this color. It is a rose salmon with darker brush marks in the throat but the rose has such depth and penetration that the backs of the petals are as rich and bright as the face. It is a glowing color, hard to describe. Should be seen to be appreciated. The petals are round, wide open, lightly ruffled and recurved, making a very beautiful effect. The following is from our field notes. It opens 6 to 7, $5\frac{1}{4}$ " florets on heavy straight stem. Has 17 to 19 buds on 25" flowerhead. Grows 54" in field. Placement perfect. Texture heavy—florets well attached. Does not fade. Very healthy and consistant grower. Bulblet production good. Germination excellent.

Scored 84½ points Rhode Island Trial Garden 1952. Classed in 500 Class by Trial Garden.

Price—\$2.00 per bulb, any size. Bulblets—10 for \$2.00 with a bulb.

QUEEN'S LACE—401 (Howard '52) 85 DAYS

Corona x Burma

Beautiful formal very heavily ruffled—almost corrugated—creamy white with two rose (Burma color) darts in throat. One on each lower petal. Opens 5 to 6, $4\frac{1}{2}$ " florets on heavy straight stem. Has 16 to 18 buds on a 22" to 24" flowerhead. Height in field 4½ feet. Florets open wide and have excellent attachment. Have never seen a misplaced floret to date. Extremely heavy propagator. Bulblet germination excellent.

Price per bulb—Large \$1.50, Medium \$1.00, Small 60c.

Bulblets 20c each or 10 for \$1.50.

BRIDAL BEAUTY—400 (Howard '50)

We are sorry but have to hold all stock of this one for propagation. The demand has been extremely heavy and have oversold every year. Expect to have it back on the market next year.

PRICE LIST - Retail

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
ABNAKI (421)		3....25		
Early Orange		10....70	10....50	10....25
ABU HASSAN (378)			10....50	10....25
Dark Blue Violet				
ADORATION (440)		3....25		
Pink and Cream		10....70	10....50	10....25
A. L. STEPHEN (433)			5...25	10....25
Light Rose—Red Blotch				
ANNAMAE (400)				
Early Pure White			10....40	10....20
ASTRID (560)		3....25	5....25	10....25
Good Early Rose				
AUREOLE (410)		3....25	5....25	10....25
Nice Ruffled Yellow				
AURORA (560)		3....25	5....25	10....25
Large Ruffled Light Rose				
BAGDAD (480)			10....40	10....20
Old Rose Smoky				
BALLAD (460)			5....25	10....25
Pink and Cream				
BEAUTY'S BLUSH (440)		3....25	5....25	10....25
Light Blush Pink				
BELTRAMI (480)			5....25	10....25
Mulberry Rose Smoky				
BETTER TIMES (376)			5....25	10....25
Light Blue-White Blotch				
BLENDIA (460)				1....50
Nice Rose				
BLUE BEAUTY (476)		3....25	10....50	10....25
Medium Blue—Good				
BLUE LAGOON (478)			1....15	2....15
Tall Dark Blue				
BONFIRE (436)				5....25
Glowing Scarlet				
BOULOGNE (562)		3....25	5....25	10....25
Large Dark Wine Red				
BRIDE'S DELIGHT (541)			5....25	10....25
Peaches and Cream				
BURLINGTON (560)				10....25
Rose Scarlet—White Throat				

PRICE LIST -- RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
BURMA (562)	Ruffled Deep Rose		10 .. .50	10 .. .25
CAPEHEART (440)	Rose Pink	4 .. .25 10 .. .60	10 .. .40	10 .. .20
CHERRY JAM (443)	Pink with Cherry Blotch		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
CHIEF MULTOMAH (480)	Dark Reddish Smoky			10 .. .25
CITATION (542)	Tall Large Pink	1 .. .40	1 .. .20	2 .. .20
COLUMBIA (407)	Fine Cream—Rose Edge			1 .. .1.00
CONNECTICUT YANKEE (441)	Nice Pink with Blotch		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
CORONA (507)	Cream White—Pink Edge	3 .. .25	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
COTILLION (543)	Deep Pink—Creamy Throat		3 .. .25	5 .. .25
COVER GIRL (542)	Tall Pink—Many Open	4 .. .25 10 .. .60	10 .. .40	10 .. .20
CRINKLE CREAM (410)	Ruffled Light Yellow		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
CYNTHIA (410)	Early Light Yellow		1 .. .50	1 .. .25
DAISY MAE (523)	Nice Orange Pink		10 .. .50	10 .. .25
DEBORAH SAMPSON (440)	Pink and Buff			5 .. .25
DIEPPE (436)	Ruffled Salmon Red	3 .. .25	5 .. .25	10 .. .25
DOLLY VARDEN (532)	Large Salmon—Cream Throat			1 .. .25
DUSTY MILLER (486)	Old Rose Smoky—Scarlet Feather			10 .. .25
ELIZABETH the QUEEN (566)	Ruffled Lavender	3 .. .25 10 .. .70	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
ENCHANTMENT (432)	Salmon Pink—Ivory Throat			6 .. .25
ERREY'S SCARLET (436)	Nice Scarlet Red		10 .. .50	10 .. .25

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
ETHEL CAVE-COLE (440)	4 .25			
Large Early Pink	10 .60	10 .40	10 .20	
EVANGELINE (540)		1 .15	2 .15	
Light Rose-Pink				
FAIR ANGEL (500)	3 .25			
Ruffled White—Good	10 .70	10 .50	10 .25	
FAY (560)		10 .50	10 .25	
Early Rose Salmon				
FIRE BALL (450)				1 .40
Beautiful Light Red				
FIREBRAND (452)				10 .25
Nice Scarlet Red				
FLYING FORTRESS (580)				5 .25
Gray Smoky—Red Blotch				
FRIENDSHIP (440)		5 .25	10 .25	
Beautiful Ruffled Pure Pink				
GENERAL EISENHOWER (542)	3 .25	5 .25	10 .25	
Giant Begonia Rose				
GENGHIS KHAN (432)	3 .25	5 .25	10 .25	
Fine Ruffled Pink				
GIANT CYCLAMEN (560)				3 .25
Large Light Rose				
GLAMIS (430)		10 .50	10 .25	
Ruffled Light Rose				
GOLD DUST (412)		10 .40	10 .20	
Early Deep Yellow				
GOLDEN ARROW (510)	4 .25			
Clear Light Yellow	10 .60	10 .40	10 .20	
GOLDEN STATE (412)		5 .25	10 .25	
Very Good Yellow				
GOLDEN TETON (412)	3 .25			
Yellow-Pink Flecking	10 .70	10 .50	10 .25	
GRAND FINALE (431)				5 .25
Medium Salmon				
GRATITUDE (422)		5 .25	10 .25	
Ruffled Orange				
GRAY DAWN (Both) (480)		5 .25	10 .25	
Nice Gray Smoky				
GUERDON (462)	3 .25			
Nice Rose Red	10 .70	10 .50	10 .25	

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
HARMAU (532)	Large Orange Red	3...25 10...70	10...50	10...25
HEART'S DESIRE (540)	Nice Ruffled Pink		2...25	4...25
HIGH COMMAND (540)	Large Light Pink			10...25
HIGH FINANCE (482)	Light Orange Smoky			10...25
HIGH LIFE (376)	Good Light Blue		5...25	10...25
HUNTRESS (466)	Early Lavender—Good	3...25 10...70	10...50	10...25
HURRICANE (425)	Bittersweet Orange	3...25	5...25	10...25
IEKA (480)	Gray Smoky-Red Throat		10...50	10...25
JEANIE (430)	Tall Medium Salmon	3...25 10...70	10...50	10...25
JINI MARIE (432)	Heavily Ruffled Salmon Pink			2...25
JULES AMOTT (452)	Velvety Red	4...25 10...60	10...40	10...20
JUNE DAY (441)	Very Early Pink	3...25	5...25	10...25
JUNIOR MISS (430)	Heavily Ruffled Salmon		5...25	10...25
J. V. KONYNENBURG (436)	Very Nice Scarlet		5...25	10...25
KENWOOD (452)	Nice Clear Red	3...25 10...70	10...50	10...25
KESTREL (522)	Tall Large Orange	3...25	10...50	10...25
KING BEE (450)	Nice Scarlet		5...25	10...25
KING TAN (490)	Light Brownish Tan			10...25
KING WILLIAM (430)	Light Salmon	3...25	10...50	10...25
LADRONE (433)	Orange Salmon—Gold Throat		5...25	10...25

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY	Large	Medium	Small
LADY ANNE (500) ----- Very Good White -----		5....25	10....25
LADY BOO (440) ----- Beautiful Shell Pink -----	3....25	5....25	10....25
LADY MARIAN (460) ----- Nice Lavender Rose -----		2....25	4....25
LAKE PLACID (506) ----- Nice Ruffled Cream -----		5....25	10....25
LANTANA (420) ----- Early Orange and Gold -----		10....40	10....20
LAVENDER DREAM (476) ----- Nice Light Lavender -----		5....25	10....25
LA VENTIA (406) ----- Large Tall White—Good -----		10....50	10....25
LEADING LADY (506) ----- Creamy White—Very Good -----	3....25	10....50	10....25
LEEUWENHORST (560) ----- Very Large Pink -----	3....25	10....50	10....25
LIPSTICK (441) ----- Good Blotched Pink -----		10....50	10....25
MADELEINE BROWN (432) ----- Tall Salmon -----	3....25 10....70	10....50	10....25
MALTA (462) ----- Large Tall Rose -----		5....25	10....25
MARGARET BEATON (501) ----- White-Red Blotch—Good -----		10....50	10....25
MARJORIE (542) ----- Nice Large Pink -----			10....25
MARMORA (480) ----- Old Rose Smoky -----			10....25
MARSEILLAISE (536) ----- Large Red -----		10....50	10....25
MERIDEN (462) ----- Ruffled Rose -----		10....50	10....25
MISS WISCONSIN (460) ----- Very Good Rose -----		10....50	10....25
MISTAYA (586) ----- Huge Gray Lavender Smoky -----			10....25
MISTY DAWN (580) ----- Old-Rose Smoky -----		10....50	10....25

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
MODERN TIMES (560)	.....	3....25	5....25	10....25
Nice Light Wine-Red	.....		
MOHAWK (454)	.....		5....25	10....25
Dark Velvet Red	.....		
MONTPELIER (440)	.....	3....25	5....25	10....25
Good Pink	.....		
MT. INDEX (501)	.....	3....25		
Early White—Yellow Throat	.....	10....70	10....50	10....25
MYRNA FAY (466)	.....	3....25	5....25	10....25
Early Lavender—Good	.....		
NANCY (452)	.....			10....25
Commercial Scarlet	.....		
NEW EUROPE (537)	.....	3....25	5....25	10....25
Large Light Scarlet Red	.....		
NOWETA ROSE (568)	.....			1....25
Lavender Rose—Many Open	.....		
OCTOBER SUNSHINE (420)	.....	2....25	4....25	8....25
Good Orange Yellow	.....		
OHIO NONPAREIL (550)	.....		10....50	10....25
Large Red	.....		
OKLAHOMA (386)	.....			10....25
Lavender Gray—Cream Throat	.....		
OPECHEE (486)	.....			2....25
Old Rose Smoky	.....		
OPHIR (410)	.....		5....25	10....25
Ruffled Yellow—Red Blotch	.....		
ORANGE GOLD (422)	.....		5....25	10....25
Nice Orange and Gold	.....		
OREGON ROSE (462)	.....		5....25	10....25
Rose Pink—Cream Edge	.....		
ORIENTAL PEARL (506)	.....		5....25	10....25
Huge Cream	.....		
PACTOLUS (417)	.....			10....25
Apricot Orange—Red Blotch	.....		
PASTEL (480)	.....			10....25
Tall Steel—Gray Smoky	.....		
PASTELINE (540)	.....			2....20
Tall Light Rose—Creamy Throat	.....		
PARTHIENA (568)	.....			4....25
Lavender—Good	.....		

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
PATRICIAN (566)	.....		4 .. .25	8 .. .25
Fine Lavender	.....		
PAUL RUBENS (470)	.....			10 .. .25
Dark Red Violet	.....		
PERSONALITY (542)	.....		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Tall Massive Rose	.....		
PHANTOM BEAUTY (440)	.....		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Light Pink—Many Open	.....		
PICARDY (Our Special Strain) (530)	.....	4 .. .25	10 .. .40	10 .. .26
Popular Salmon	.....		
PINK CHARM (542)	.....	3 .. .25	5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Medium Pink	.....		
PINK PICARDY (542)	.....	3 .. .25	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
Pink Sport of Picardy	.....		
PINK RADIANCE (440)	.....		10 .. .40	10 .. .20
Very Nice Light Pink	.....		
PIONEER (532)	.....	3 .. .25		
Deep Pink—Cream Throat	.....	10 .. .70	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
PURPLE SUPREME (470)	.....	3 .. .25		
Tall Purple	.....	10 .. .70	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
RADIANCE (350)	.....		
Bright Red Salmon	.....	3 .. .25	5 .. .25	10 .. .25
RAVEL (477)	.....		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Good Medium Blue	.....		
RED CHARM (452)	.....	3 .. .25	10 .. .50	10 .. .25
Very Good Red	.....	10 .. .70		
RED CHERRY (436)	.....		4 .. .25	8 .. .25
Tall Cherry Red—Early	.....		
RED GOLD (550)	.....			4 .. .25
Large Light Red	.....		
RED PENNY (436)	.....	3 .. .25	5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Early Light—Scarlet	.....		
RED WING (536)	.....			2 .. .25
Nice New Scarlet	.....		
RITA MAE (450)	.....		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Tall Coral Red	.....		
ROBERT ALAN (412)	.....		1 .. .40	1 .. .25
Golden Yellow	.....		
ROLLA (487)	.....		5 .. .25	10 .. .25
Reddish Purple—Orange Overcast	.....		

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY		Large	Medium	Small
ROOSEVELT'S MEMORY (500)			5....25	10....25
Very Large White				
ROSA VAN LIMA (440)	4....25			
Good Rose Pink—Early	10....60	10....40	10....20	
ROSE DELIGHT (462)		5....25	10....25	
Nice Medium Rose				
ROSE O'DAY (566)		5....25	10....25	
Rose Lavender				
ROSY LIGHT (460)				10....25
Very Nice Rose				
ROSY MORN (RILEY) (442)		10....50	10....25	
Coral Rose				
ROSY RED (362)	3....25	5....25	10....25	
Glowing Deep Rosy Red				
ROYAL WINSOR (550)		5....25	10....25	
Very Good Light Red				
SALMAN'S GLORY (507)	3....25	5....25	10....25	
Nice Cream—Red Blotch				
SALUTATION (440)	3....25	5....25	10....25	
Early Pink—Red Blotch				
SHERWOOD (470)		2....15	4....15	
Nice Large Purple				
SIBONEY (566)		2....20	4....20	
Large Ruffled Lavender				
SILENTIUM (401)	4....25			
Tall White—Red Throat	10....60	10....40	10....20	
SILVER GULL (476)		5....25	10....25	
Light Blue				
SINCERITY (ERREY) (407)		4....25	6....25	
Cream—Red Throat				
SKY LINE (480)			5....25	
Slate Blue Smoky				
SNOW PRINCESS (400)	4....25			
Good Commercial White	10....60	10....40	10....20	
SPARKS (511)		5....25	10....25	
Light Yellow—Scarlet Feather				
SPIC AND SPAN (442)	3....25	5....25	10....25	
Excellent Ruffled Pink				
SPOTLIGHT (413)		5....25	10....25	
Yellow—Red Throat				

PRICE LIST — RETAIL

VARIETY	Large	Medium	Small
STERLING (566)			1....25
Deep Lavender			
STORMY WEATHER (480)			3....25
Creamy—Smoky Rose			
SUN SPOT (417)		4....25	8....25
Apricot—Rose Blotch			
SURFSIDE (400)	3....25	5....25	10....25
Good Late White			
THEMESONG (470)		5....25	10....25
Purple—Cyclamen Blotch			
THE ROAN (485)			10....25
Rosy Red with Silvery Lines			
TIVOLI (460)	3....25	5....25	10....25
Tall Beautiful Rose			
TRAIL'S END (562)			2....25
Nice Deep Rose—Cream Throat			
TUNIA'S ATOMIC BURST (585)			4....25
Vivid Bronzy-Red Smoky			
TUNIA'S ELITE (590)			10....25
Bronzy Orange Smoky			
TUTS BOTH (431)		5....25	10....25
Nice Deep Orange			
UNCLE TOM (454)			10....25
Deep Brown Maroon			
VAGABOND PRINCE (391)			10....25
Mahogany Brown—Flame Blotch			
VANGOLD (312)	3....25	10....50	10....25
Early Deep Yellow			
VISTA BONITA (432)	3....25	5....25	10....25
Large Tall Salmon			
WANDA (406)	3....25	5....25	10....25
Nice Large Cream			
WHITE GOLD (506)	4....25		
Large Tall Cream	10....60	10....40	10....20
YELLOW HERALD (413)	3....25	5....25	10....25
Yellow—Red Blotch			
ZUNI (480)			10....25
Salmon and Slate Smoky			

— COLLECTION —

Unlabeled Collection—Wide variety of colors. This is a really good collection including many of the nicer varieties.

Large size bulbs, \$4.00 per 100, or \$2.00 per 50.

Medium size bulbs, \$2.00 per 100, or \$1.00 per 50.

Wholesale Price List

25 Bulbs at the Hundred Rate

VARIETY	Per 100	#3 & 4	#5 & 6
ADORATION	\$2.50	\$1.25	
BEAUTY'S BLUSH	2.50	1.25	
BELTRAMI	2.50	1.25	
BURMA	2.50	1.25	
CAPEHEART	2.00	1.00	
CORONA	—	1.25	
COVER GIRL	2.00	1.00	
ELIZABETH QUEEN	2.50	1.25	
ETHEL CAVE-COLE	2.00	1.00	
FAIR ANGEL	2.00	1.00	
GENERAL EISENHOWER	—	1.25	
GOLD DUST	1.75	1.00	
GOLDEN ARROW	1.75	1.00	
GOLDEN TETON	2.50	1.25	
HARMAU	2.50	1.25	
HUNTRESS	—	1.25	
JULES AMOTT	2.00	1.00	
KENWOOD	2.50	1.25	
LADY ANNE	—	1.25	
LEADING LADY	—	1.25	
LEEUWENHORST	2.50	1.25	
MADELEINE BROWN	2.00	1.00	
MARGARET BEATON	2.50	1.25	
MT. INDEX	2.00	1.00	
OREGON GOLD	—	1.00	
PICARDY	2.00	1.00	
PINK RADIANCE	2.00	1.00	
PIONEER	2.50	1.25	
PURPLE SUPREME	2.50	1.25	
RAVEL	—	1.25	
RED CHARM	2.50	1.25	
ROSA VAN LIMA	1.75	1.00	
SILENTIUM	1.75	1.00	
SNOW PRINCESS	1.75	1.00	
SPIC & SPAN	—	1.25	
SPOTLIGHT	2.50	1.25	
TIVOLI	—	1.25	
VANGOLD	2.00	1.00	
WHITE GOLD	1.75	1.00	
YELLOW HERALD	2.50	1.25	

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